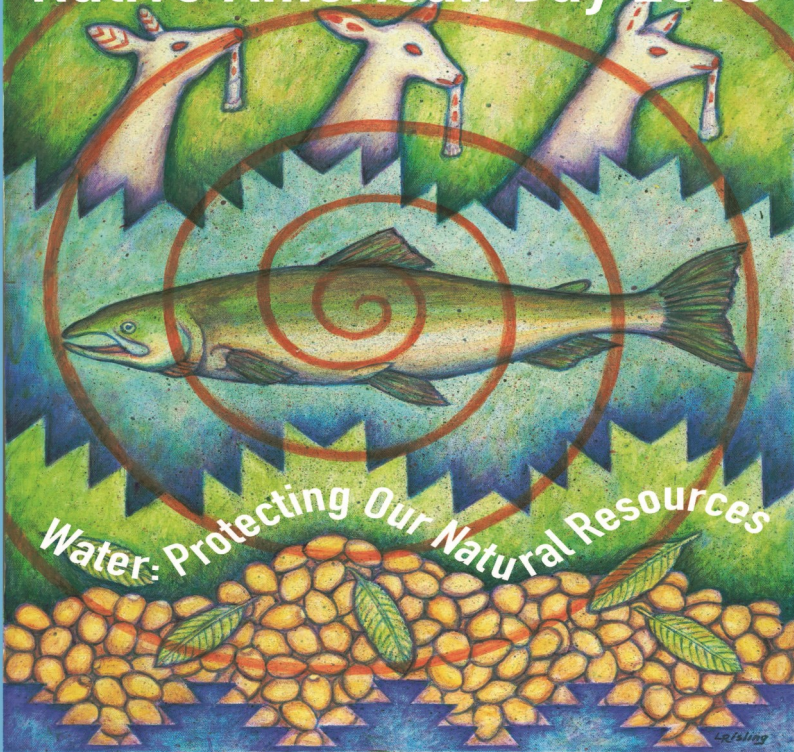


# 48th Annual Native American Day 2015



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## Executive Department

### State of California

#### PROCLAMATION

California has been home to human beings for at least 12,000 years, with the period of European-American settlement representing only a tiny fraction of this time. The first Europeans to arrive in California encountered hundreds of thousands of people organized into hundreds of distinct tribal groups. They flourished in the bountiful hills and valleys of what would someday become the Golden State.

The contact between these first Californians and successive waves of newcomers over the three succeeding centuries was marked by the utter devastation of Native American people, families and society. The colonial regimes of Spain and Mexico, through disease and slavery, reduced the indigenous population by more than half. Then the Gold Rush came, and with it a wave of new diseases and outright violence that halved the population again in just two years. The newborn State of California institutionalized violence against Native Americans, enacting policies of warfare, slavery and relocation that left few people alive and no tribe intact. In his 1851 address to the Legislature, our first Governor, Peter Hardeman Burnett, famously stated, "That a war of extermination will continue to be waged between the two races until the Indian race becomes extinct, must be expected."

In spite of Burnett's prediction, California today is home to the largest population of Native Americans in the fifty states, including both the rebounding numbers of our native Tribes and others drawn to the Golden State by its myriad attractions. The success of tribal businesses and the rise of tribal members in all walks of life today stand as testament to the resilience and enduring spirit of our native peoples. If Governor Burnett could not envision a future California including Native Americans, it is just as impossible for us today to envision one without them.

**NOW THEREFORE I, EDMUND G. BROWN JR.,** Governor of the State of California, do hereby proclaim September 25, 2015, as "Native American Day" in the State of California.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 2015.



  
EDMUND G. BROWN JR.  
Governor of California

**ATTEST:**

  
ALEX PADILLA  
Secretary of State



# Welcome



*The State Tribal Liaisons of California are representative of California's agencies, departments, and commissions that serve within the State in official and unofficial capacities. They help serve and support the Native American community in areas such as health, transportation, employment, education, economic development, law enforcement, child welfare, and environment.*

*Brought by the recommendation of the Native American community, Native American Day began in California in 1939, when Governor Culbert Olson dedicated October 1st as Indian Day. "In 1968, California Tribal Leaders and Governor Ronald Reagan declared the fourth Friday of September as California Indian Day." The Native American Day" celebration on September 25, 2015, is an official State holiday signed into law by Governor Pete Wilson on September 21, 1998.*



**Dear Community,**

**On behalf of the California State Tribal Liaisons we are proud to partner with our host nation sponsor, the Northern California Tribal Chairmen's Association, in the coordination and planning of the 48th Annual California Native American Day celebration. The theme we honor is "Water: Protecting our Natural Resources". In a year of challenges faced by our tribal communities such as drought, flooding and now fires, we are reminded that natural resources include not only the protection of our environment, but also the protection of our cultural resources, our community, and our traditions. This event would not be possible without the support of our community volunteers and the commitment from our state government and the support provided to the State Tribal Liaisons. In addition, we honor the tribal sponsors and legislative sponsors, Senator Mike McGuire, Senator Isadore Hall, III, and Assembly Member Luis Alejo.**

**For the past 48 years, Native American organizations and state agencies have participated in this event which honors the valuable historic and cultural contributions made by Native Americans in California. We honor and recognize the continuing partnerships between our California state agencies and their hundreds of departments, which constitute our state government and the federally and non-federally recognized tribes in California.**

**I would like to offer prayers of support and respect to our Tribal Elders, Tribal Leaders, members of the California state government, and each and every one of you participating in this celebration. Thank you for taking the time to be here and allowing us to honor you. Please find a relaxing spot in the shade and enjoy our celebration!**



**Anecita Agustinez,**  
*Chair, State Tribal Liaisons*  
*2015 NAD Planning Committee*  
*Tribal Policy Advisor, Department of Water Resources*



# The Masters of Ceremonies



## **Honorable Lynn “Nay” Valbuena**

Ms. Lynn Valbuena is Chairwoman of the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians in Southern California and Chairwoman of the Tribal Alliance of Sovereign Indian Nations (TASIN). Ms. Valbuena is a member on the American Indian Chamber of Commerce of California Advisory Board and held the positions of Vice Chairwoman and Secretary of the California Nations Indian Gaming Association (CNIGA).

Lynn has received numerous distinctions throughout her career, including 2011 San Bernardino County Safety Employee's Benefit Association Distinguished Benefactor Honoree, 2010 California Assemblyman Bill Emmerson's California Woman of Distinction, Women Empowering Women for Indian Nations (WEWIN) Honoree, and the NIGA Chairman's Leadership Award.

## **Honorable Council Member**

### **Dennis Hendricks**

#### **Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians**

Mr. Dennis Hendricks is the previous two-term Tribal Chair of the Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians. Council Member Hendricks is a member of the CalTrans Native American Advisory Committee.

Mr. Hendricks served as a representative of California Tribes on the National Health Board and has previously served as Chairman of the California Rural Indian Health Board.





**2015 NATIVE AMERICAN DAY**  
**SEPTEMBER 25**  
**EVENT AGENDA**



<b>9:40 AM</b>	<b>“K’iwinya’n-ya:n” Singers</b>
<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>WELCOME</b> <b>Honorable Lyn Valbuena</b> , Chairwoman San Manuel Band of Mission Indians <b>Mr. Dennis Hendricks</b> , Council Member Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians
<b>10:05 AM</b>	<b>OPENING BLESSING</b> <b>Mary Tarango</b> , Wilton Rancheria
<b>10:10 AM</b>	<b>GRAND ENTRY AND POSTING OF COLORS</b> <b>Tule River Color Guard and Native American Veterans</b> <b>Post 1987</b> <b>Blood River Drum Group</b> <b>CALIFORNIA TRIBAL NATIONS FLAG CEREMONY</b>
<b>10:40 AM</b>	<b>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</b> <b>Officer Jasper Begay</b> , Dine (Navajo) Native California Highway Patrol <b>Officer Glenna Appel</b> , Wailaki/Pomo Department of Justice <b>Mirtha Villarreal-Younger</b> , Deputy Secretary for Minority Veterans Affairs CA Department of Veterans Affairs <b>Olin Jones</b> , Director Office of Native American Affairs, Department of Justice
<b>10:45 AM</b>	<b>TRIBAL HOST NATION WELCOME</b> <b>Honorable Garth Sundberg</b> , Chairman Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria and Chairman of Northern California Tribal Chairmen’s Association
<b>10:50 AM</b>	<b>CULTURAL SHARING</b> <b>Shingle Spring Rancheria Miwok Indians Dance Group</b>
<b>11:25 AM</b>	<b>LEGISLATIVE SPONSOR</b> <b>Senator Mike McGuire</b> , District 2





**2015 NATIVE AMERICAN DAY**  
**SEPTEMBER 25,**  
**EVENT AGENDA**



<b>11:30 AM</b>	<b>PRESENTATION OF GOVERNOR'S 2015 NATIVE AMERICAN DAY PROCLAMATION</b> Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr. Honorable Cynthia A. Gomez, Tule River Yokut Tribe, Governor's Tribal Advisor Ms. Anecita Agustinez, Dine Nation, Chair-State Tribal Liaisons of California Tribal Policy Advisor, Department of Water Resources
<b>11:40 AM</b>	<b>CULTURAL SHARING</b> Honorable Buster G. Attebery, Chairman, Karuk Tribe Karuk Tribe Brush Dance Demonstration
<b>12:15 PM</b>	<b>LEGISLATIVE SPONSOR</b> Assemblymember Luis Alejo, District 30
<b>12:22 PM</b>	<b>LEGISLATIVE SPONSOR</b> Senator Isadore Hall, III, District 35
<b>12:30 PM</b>	<b>HONORING ELDERS AND PRESENTATION OF TRADITIONAL GIFT</b> 2015 Native American Day Planning Committee Dr. Donna Begay, Navajo/Tubatulabal Native
<b>12:50 PM</b>	<b>CULTURAL SHARING</b> Kashia Pomo Dancers
<b>1:25 PM</b>	<b>HONORING VETERANS AND PRESENTATION BY VETERANS COMMITTEE</b> Honorable Bo Mazzetti, Chairman Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians Acting Secretary, CA Department of Veterans Affairs
<b>1:35 PM</b>	<b>CLOSING PRAYER</b> Honorable Ron Goode, Chairman North Fork Mono Tribe
<b>1:40 PM</b>	<b>RETIREMENT OF THE COLORS</b> Tule River Color Guard and Blood River Drum Group
<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>CELEBRATION CONCLUDED</b>
<b>2:00-3:00 PM</b>	Please take time to visit the Crafts Expo and Food Vendors



# Tribal Flags

1	Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians
2	Barona Group of the Capitan Grande
3	Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria
4	Berry Creek Rancheria of Maidu Indians
5	Big Pine Paiute Tribe of Owens Valley
6	Big Sandy Rancheria of Mono Indians
7	Buena Vista Rancheria
8	Cahuilla Band of Indians
9	California Valley Miwok Tribe
10	Campo Band of Mission Indians
11	Cortina Band of Indians
12	Coyote Valley Band of Pomo Indians
13	Dry Creek Rancheria of Pomo Indians
14	Elk Valley Rancheria
15	Ewiiapaayp Band of Kumeyaay Indians
16	Fort Mojave Indian Tribe
17	Hopland Band of Pomo Indians
18	ipay Nation of Santa Ysabel
19	Inaja Band of Mission Indians
20	Jamul Indian Village
21	Karuk Tribe
22	La Jolla Band of Mission Indians
23	La Posta Band of Mission Indians
24	Los Coyotes Band of Cahuilla and Cupeno Indians
25	Manzanita Band of Kumeyaay Nation
26	Mechoopda Indian Tribe of Chico Rancheria
27	Mesa Grande Band of Mission Indians
28	Morongo Band of Mission Indians
29	North Fork Rancheria
30	Pala Band of Mission Indians



# Tribal Flags

31	Pauma & Yuima Reservation
32	Pechanga Band of Mission Indians
33	Redding Rancheria
34	Resighini Rancheria/Coast Indian Community
35	Rincon Band of Mission Indians
36	San Manuel Band of Mission Indians
37	San Pasqual Band of Mission Indians
38	Santa Ynez Band of Mission Indians
39	Sherwood Valley Rancheria of Pomo
40	Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians
41	Soboba Band of Mission Indians
42	Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation
43	Table Mountain Rancheria
44	Tejon Indian Tribe
45	Torres-Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians
46	Tule River Indian Tribe
47	Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians
48	United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria
49	Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians
50	Wiyot Tribe
51	Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation



**L-R Heather Hostler, Anecita Agustinez, Lynn Valbuena, Cynthia Gomez and Dennis Hendricks 2014 NAD  
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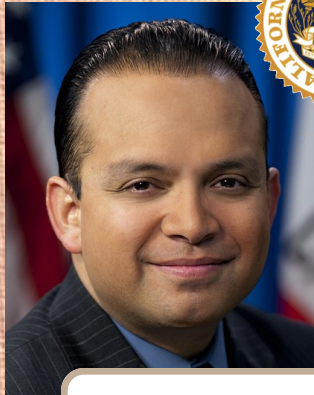
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September 25, 2015

Dear Tribal Leaders, Honorees and California's Native American Community:

As Chairman of the Senate Governmental Organization Committee, it is my pleasure and honor to welcome you to your State Capitol and the 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Native American Day.

This important annual event celebrates the rich and diverse history of California's Native American tribes and provides all Californians with an opportunity to learn more about the many cultural and economic contributions that Native Americans make to the Golden State.

Native American heritage is a critical part of the colorful woven cultural fabric that makes California the most diverse state in the nation. As we celebrate Native American Day, we also pause to pay respect and give thanks to the generations of California Native Americans who have endured great challenges to preserve tribal languages, cultures and histories for current and future generations.

May today's festivities strengthen and enrich the lives of Native Americans throughout our great state and may it also serve as a testament to California's enduring respect for sovereign Tribal Nations throughout the United States.

I look forward to celebrating this important day with you today and for years to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Isadore Hall, III".

ISADORE HALL, III  
Senator, 35<sup>th</sup> Senate District







# In Appreciation of Tribal Sponsors



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## SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

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Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians  
Robert Clark, Chief of Police, Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians  
Denis Turner, Executive Director, SCTCA, Rincon Band of Luiseño  
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# 2015 EVENT EXHIBITORS



## **STATE OF CALIFORNIA:**

- ♦ Attorney General—Department of Justice (DOT), Office of Victim Services Unit <https://oag.ca.gov/>
- ♦ CA Building Standards Commission <http://www.bsc.ca.gov/>
- ♦ CA Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) <http://www.cdcr.ca.gov/>
- ♦ CA Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/>
- ♦ CA Housing Finance Agency (CalHFA) <http://www.calhfa.ca.gov/>
- ♦ CA Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) <http://www.fire.ca.gov/>
- ♦ CA Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)—Indian Health Program <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/Pages/default.aspx>
- ♦ CA Highway Patrol (CHP) <http://www.chp.ca.gov/>
- ♦ CA Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) <http://ohp.parks.ca.gov/>
- ♦ CA Department of Housing and Community Development <http://www.hcd.ca.gov/>
- ♦ CA Department of Human Resources (Cal HR) <http://www.calhr.ca.gov/Pages/home.aspx>
- ♦ CA Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) <https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv>
- ♦ Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) <http://nahc.ca.gov/>
- ♦ CA Department of Parks and Recreation (Parks) <http://www.parks.ca.gov/>
- ♦ California Secretary of State (SOS) <http://www.sos.ca.gov/>
- ♦ CA Department of Technology (CIO) <http://www.cio.ca.gov/>
- ♦ CA Department of Toxic Substance Control (DTSC) <https://www.dtsc.ca.gov/>



# 2015 EVENT EXHIBITORS



## **STATE OF CALIFORNIA CONTINUED....**

- ♦ CA Department of Transportation (Caltrans) <http://www.dot.ca.gov/>
- ♦ CA Department of Veterans Affairs (CalVET)  
<https://www.calvet.ca.gov/>
- ♦ CA Department of Water Resources (DWR)  
<http://www.water.ca.gov/>
  - ♦ Save our Water Campaign -<http://saveourwater.com/>
  - ♦ Drought Booth
- ♦ CA State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB)  
<http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/>

## **FEDERAL AGENCIES:**

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
Indian Health Services -<https://www.ihs.gov/>

National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps NCCC)  
<http://www.nationalservice.gov/programs/ameri-corps/ameri-corps-nccc>

## **NON-GOVERNMENTAL PARTNERS:**

- ♦ American Indian & Alaska Native Veterans Monument  
<http://www.aianveteransmonument.com/>
- ♦ CA Indian Legal Services (Cal Indian)  
<http://www.calindian.org/>
- ♦ Inter-Tribal Council of California (ITCCINC)  
<http://www.itccinc.org/>
- ♦ Legal Services of Northern California  
<http://lsnc.info/services/>
- ♦ CA Rural Indian Health Board (CRIHB)  
<https://www.crihb.org/>  
First Aid and CPR -<http://www.snahc.org/cpr-and-first-aid-course/>
- ♦ Sacramento Native American Health Center (SNAHC)  
<http://www.snahc.org/>
- ♦ Wells Fargo  
<https://www.wellsfargo.com/>





## ***Visit the California State Capitol***

- ◆ ***Governor's Display Case includes Tule creations***
- ◆ ***The Governor's Office Wall features "Protecting Our Natural Resources"***
- ◆ ***The 2nd floor rotunda niches features portraits of Yurok Tribe, Pomo, and Maidu by Johnny Clay***



### **GUIDED TOURS**

(Meet at California Seal)

**Time:**

**10:15 AM**

**11:15 AM**

**12:15 PM**

**1:15 PM**

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**KASHIA POMO DANCERS**



# EDUCATION PAVILION EXHIBIT

**Don't miss this exciting learning opportunity!**

Visit the Education Pavilion to meet and learn from leading California Native cultural arts practitioners who generously share their wisdom regarding cultural practices and traditional ecological knowledge.

- The Importance of Tule by *Ooti Blevins*
- The Gift of Acorns by *Diana Almendari, "Tule Lady"*
- Indigenous California Languages facilitated by *Carly Tex, Vincent Medina, Deborah Morillo, and Kayla Carpenter*
- Basketry Art by *Dixie Rogers (Hupa/Karuk)*
- *Karola Kennedy* (Elem Indian Colony) and *Mike Schaver* (Robinson Rancheria) will discuss the restoration of the Hitch population significant to Lake County Pomo Tribes.

**Sharing and demonstrations will occur on  
a continuous basis throughout the day.**





# 2015 NATIVE AMERICAN DAY ARTWORK



The artwork ***“Bringing Back the Balance”*** used for the 48th Annual Native American Day features the artistry of **Ms. Lyn Risling**, a Karuk/Yurok, Hupa artist. This painting expresses an understanding of the balance between Heaven and Earth.

We as humans have become disconnected in many ways with the natural world including the Spiritual realm. It is up to us to restore this balance, not only

for ourselves, but for all living beings, including the animals, plant life, the mountains, and our waters. This balance is essential to all of our survival on Earth. Like our ancestors, it is our job as humans to take care of our environment, to follow the natural laws of Nature, and to take care of each other.

**Ms. Risling** is an artist whose work reflects the renewal and continuation of cultural traditions and the natural world of her tribal peoples, the Karuk/Yurok, and Hupa. She was a recipient of the Community Spirit Award from First Peoples Fund for her artwork and commitment to her Native culture and community. She recently illustrated an ABC book depicting California Native images and designs, published by HeyDay Books. Lyn has also worked with Native youth to create mural panels that reflect their history, culture, languages, and contemporary issues. Lyn has shown her work throughout California, and her art can be found in tribal cultural curriculum, language materials, brochures, t-shirts, and posters. <http://www.lynrising.com/>





# Tule River Native Veterans Post 1987

We thank the Tule River  
Native Veterans Post 1987  
for posting the colors for  
this year's event.



**STAN SANTOS, COMMANDER OF THE TULE RIVER  
NATIVE VETERANS POST 1987**

**COLOR GUARD REPRESENTATIVES:**

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# HONORED ELDERS & VETERANS PORTRAIT PHOTOS



Interested Elders and Veterans please sign up at the **Honored Elders Registration Booth**. Photos will be taken throughout the day and will be placed on an internet photo site and can be downloaded as desired. All photos are voluntary.

**SCHEDULE:**  
**GROUP PORTRAIT FOR VETERANS 11:00 AM**  
**GROUP PORTRAIT FOR ELDERS 1:00 PM**

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